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DECLARATION CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(c)) SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

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NAME OF CONCERN

Rota Engineering, Ltd.

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I hereby declare that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR 121.3 18, and reproduced in 37 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under Sections 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons.

All U.S. rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention of the above-identified patent application.

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